

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 03-344-J (400.110US))

In the Application of:	)	
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<b>McSwiggen et al.</b>	)	
	)	Examiner: <b>TBD</b>
Serial No.: <b>10/553,729</b>	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: <b>TBD</b>
Filing Date: <b>October 14, 2005</b>	)	
	)	Confirmation No.: <b>5884</b>
For: <b>RNA Interference Mediated Inhibition of</b>	)	
<b>Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)</b>	)	
<b>Gene Expression Using Short Interfering</b>	)	
<b>Nucleic Acid (siNA)</b>	)	

**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER**  
**35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**  
**MAILED DECEMBER 8, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the following Amendment and Response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed December 8, 2006.

**The Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2.**

**The Remarks begin on page 3.**